Governor Stephen Hopkins House

15 Hopkins Street, Providence

Stephen Hopkins, royal governor of Rhode Island from 1755 to 1757, later became a member of both Continental Congresses and a signer of the Declaration of Independence. He was also first chancellor of Rhode Island College, now Brown University, and was instrumental in having the institution moved from Warren to Providence in 1770. He built the main portion of this house in 1742 and lived here until his death in 1785. Carefully restored in 1927–1928, it is now a historic house museum.